

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed is a routing apparatus for obtaining routing data conforming to a destination address of a packet that arrives from a line, adding the routing data 5 onto the packet, and switching the packet based upon the routing data to send the packet to a prescribed line. The routing apparatus has a main controller equipped with content addressable memories (CAMs) corresponding to respective ones of line speed. When search key data 10 with an attached line identifier is received from a line card, routing data is generated by the content addressable memory (CAM) corresponding to the line speed and the routing data is sent to the line card. The line card adds routing data of which it has been notified by 15 the main controller onto a packet and then outputs the packet. A switch to which a packet having attached routing data is input from a prescribed line card switches the packet based upon the routing data and sends the packet to another line card.

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FIG. 1

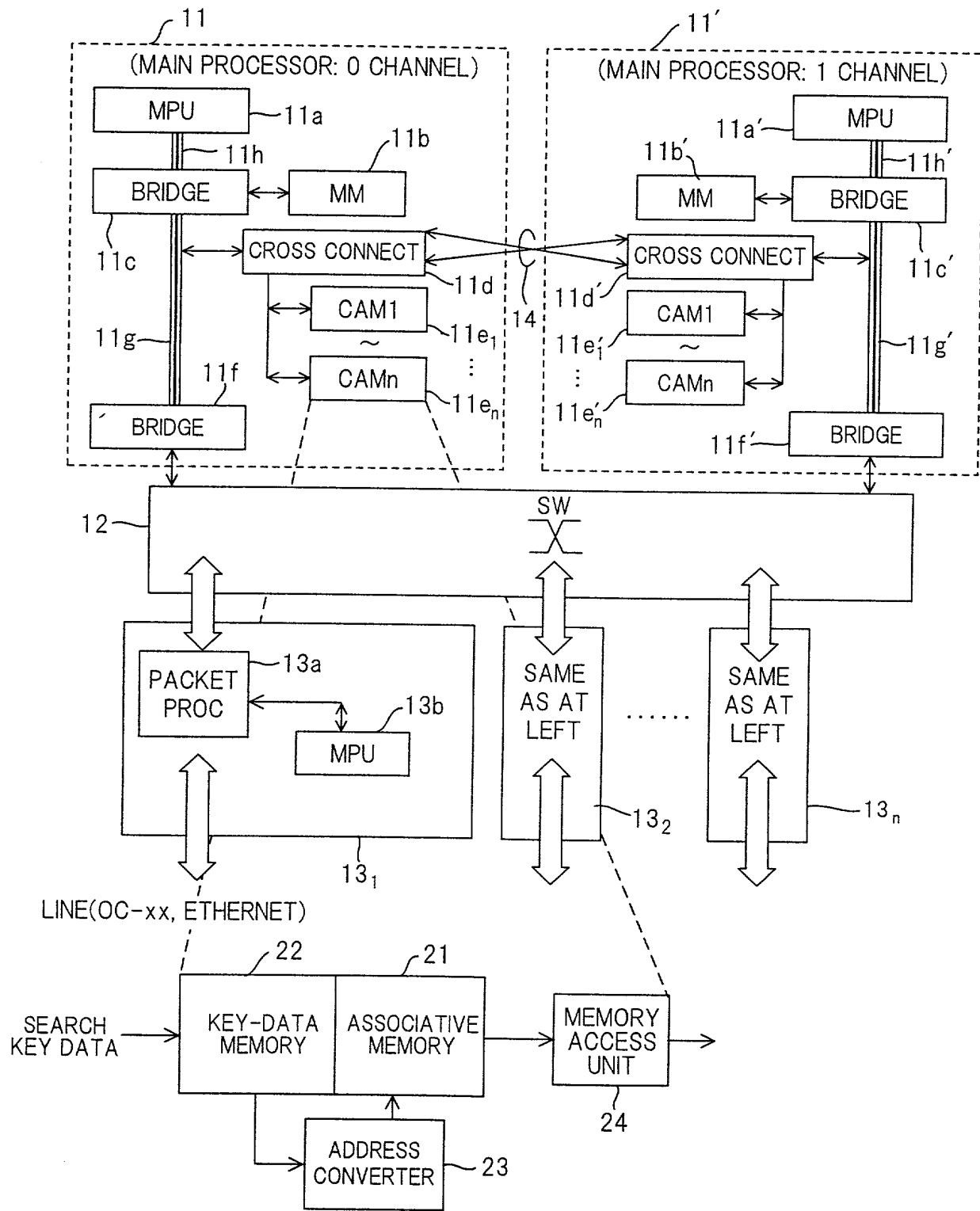


FIG. 2A

## TRANSMISSION OF OC-12C PPP PACKET

ITEMS	VALUE	IP DATA FLUCTUATION	TOTAL TRANSFER TIME(μS)
OC-12C TRANSFER TIME	1.6	1	0.36
PPP + FIXED PART OF IP HEADER (bytes)	27	2	0.37
IP DATA FLUCTUATION (bytes)	n	3	0.39
		4	0.40
TOTAL TRANSFER TIME = (n + PPP + FIXED PART OF IP) * OC-12C TRANSFER		~	~
		10	0.48
		~	~
		64	1.17
		~	~
		128	1.99
		~	~
		1024	13.52
		~	~
		1500	19.64

FIG. 2B

## TRANSMISSION OF OC-192C PPP PACKET

ITEMS	VALUE	IP DATA FLUCTUATION	TOTAL TRANSFER TIME(μS)
OC-192C TRANSFER TIME(ns)	0.1	1	0.02
PPP + FIXED PART OF IP HEADER (bytes)	27	2	0.02
IP DATA FLUCTUATION (bytes)	n	3	0.02
		4	0.02
TOTAL TRANSFER TIME = (n + PPP + FIXED PART OF IP) * OC-192C TRANSFER		~	~
		10	0.03
		~	~
		64	0.07
		~	~
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		1024	0.84
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		1500	1.23

FIG. 3

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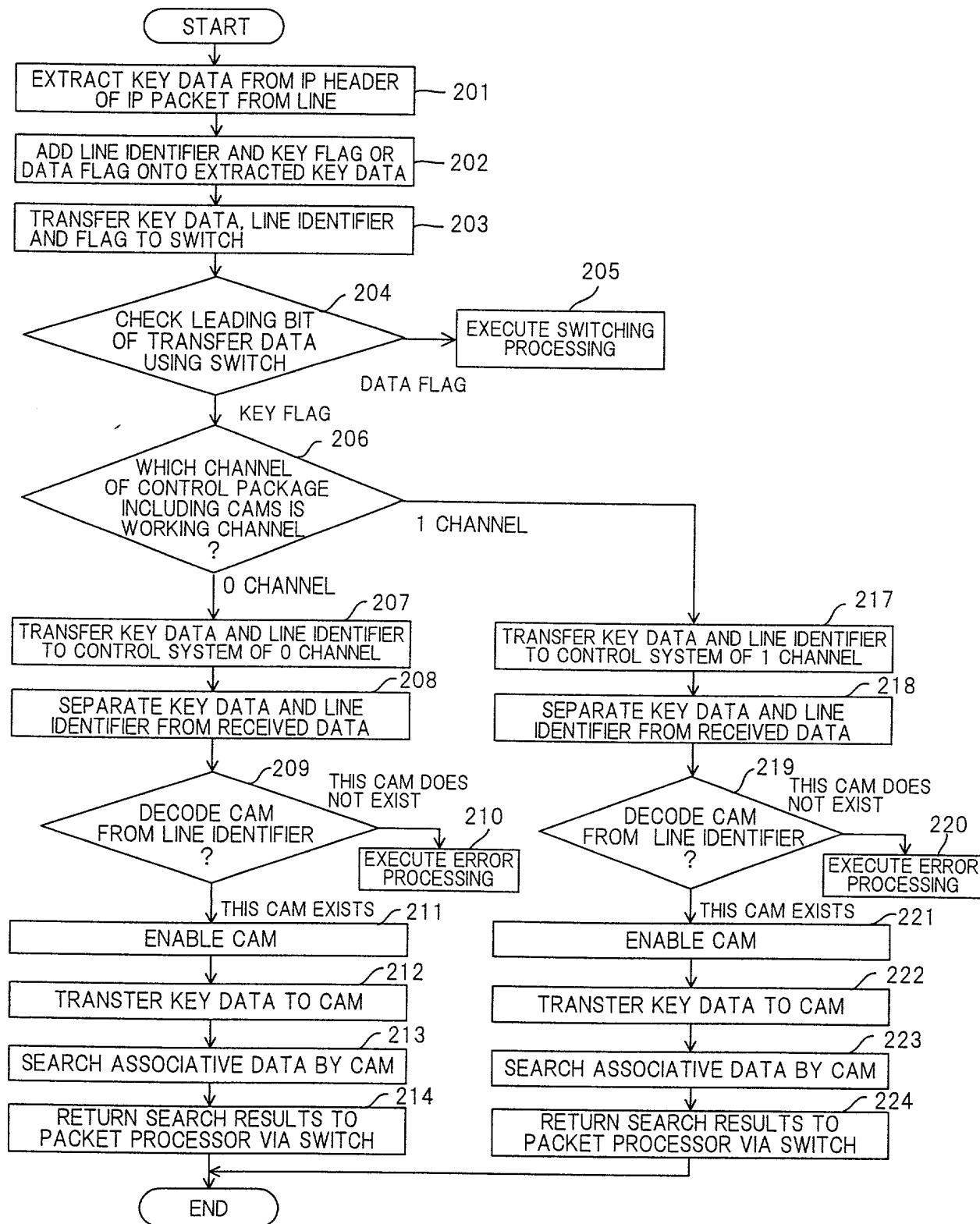


FIG. 4A

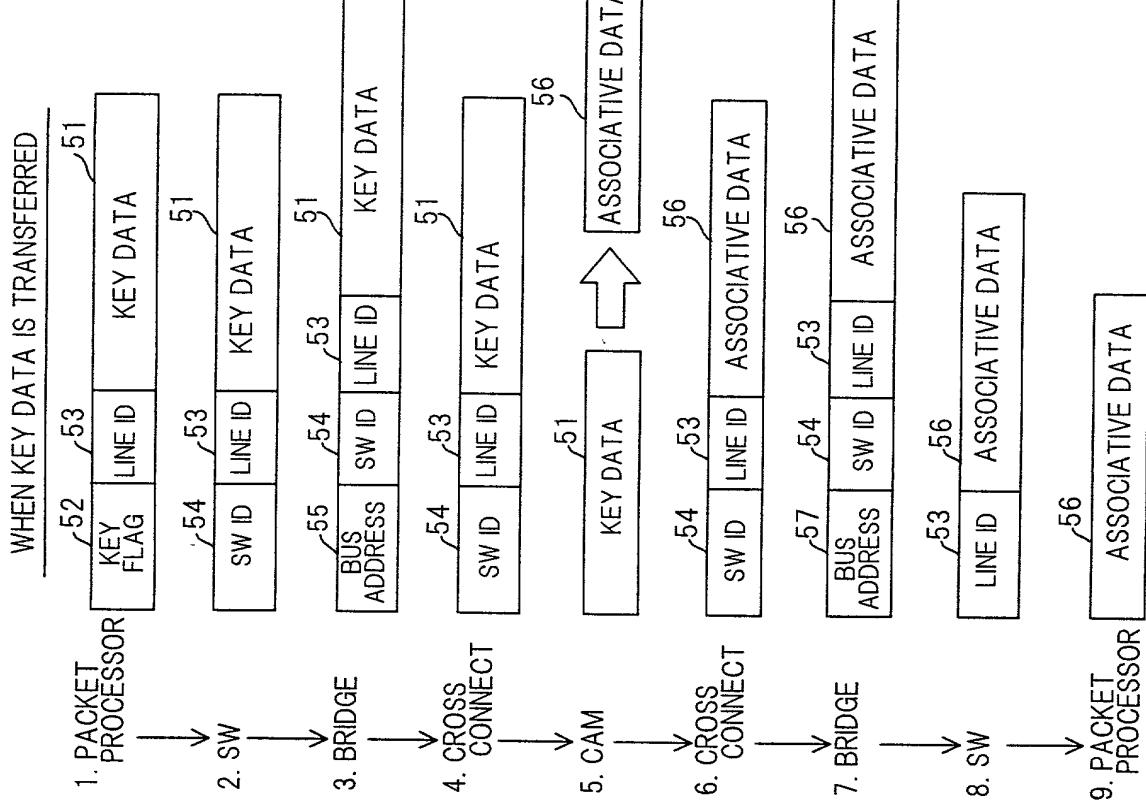


FIG. 4B

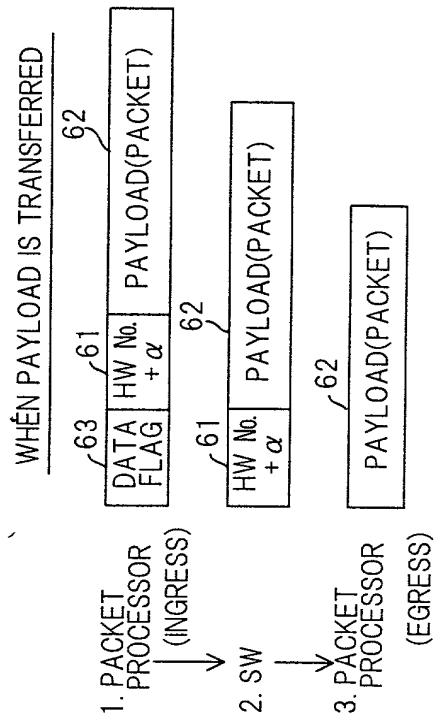


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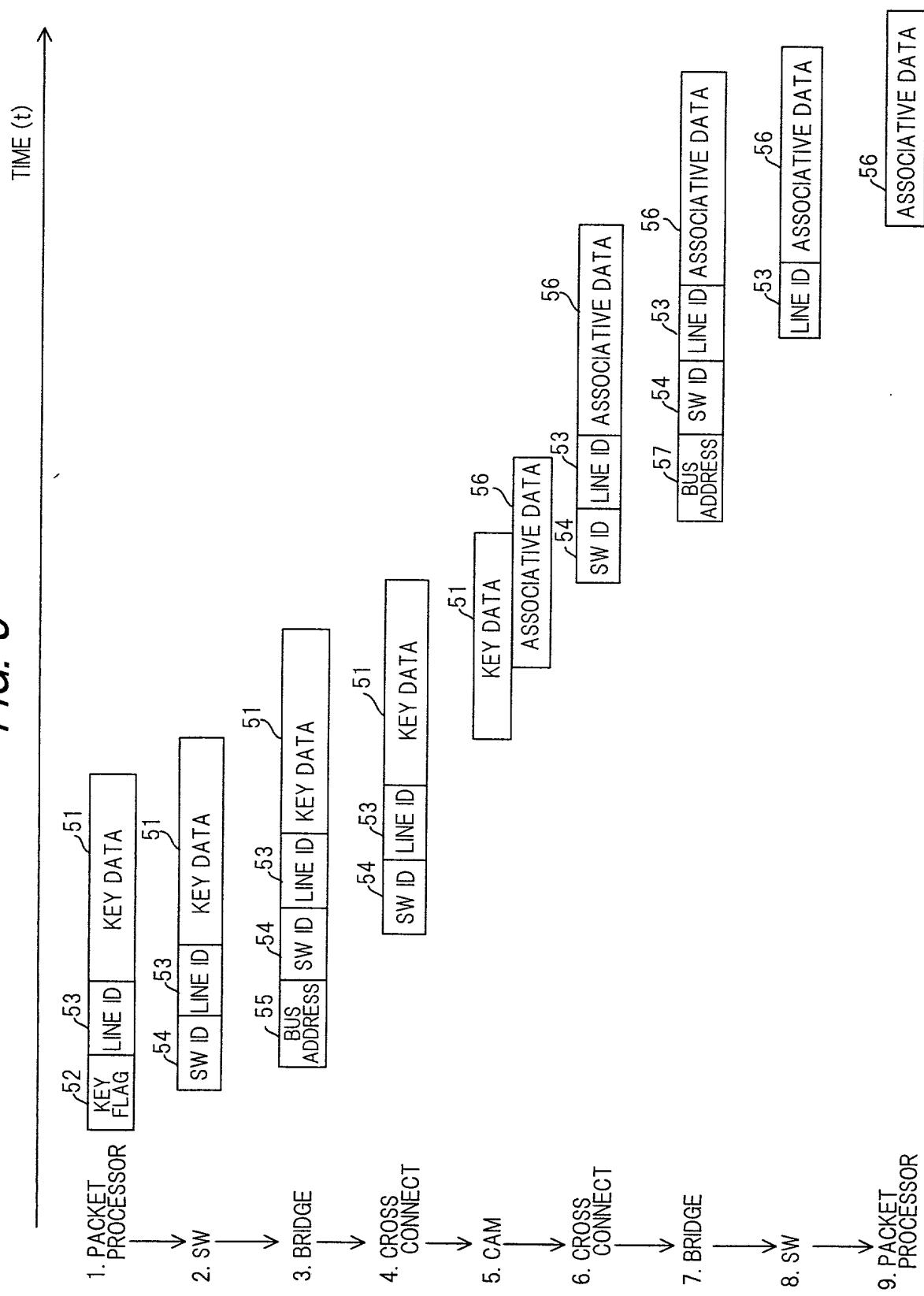


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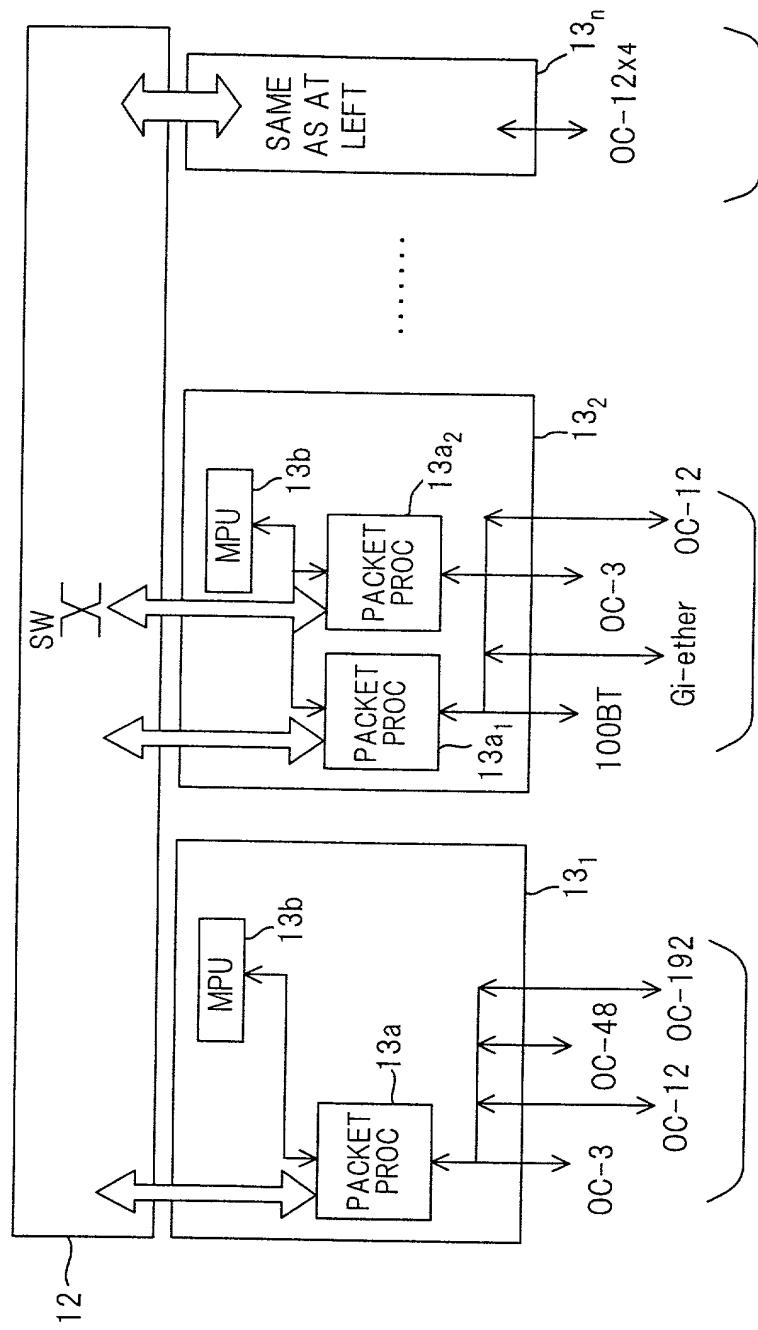


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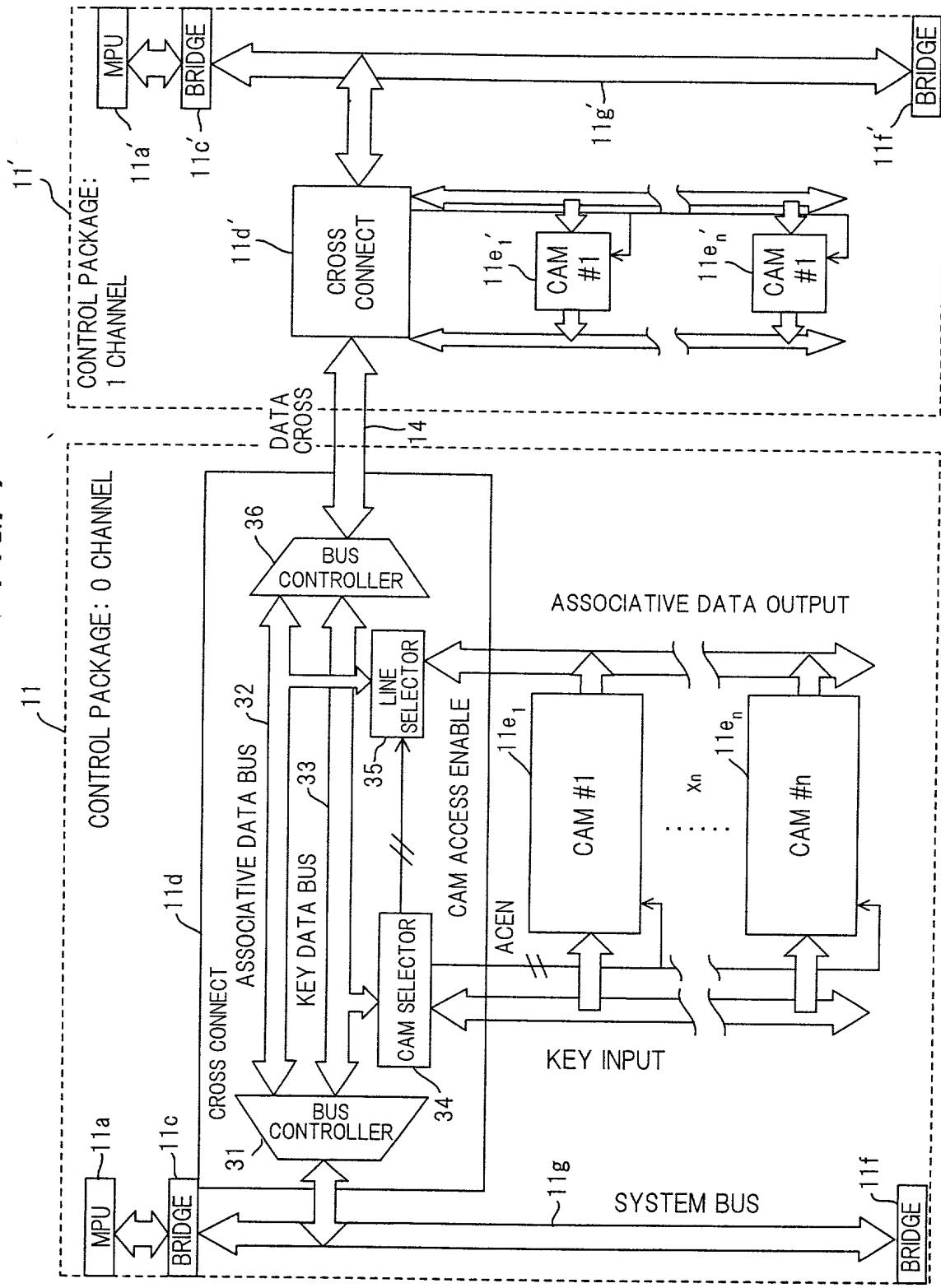


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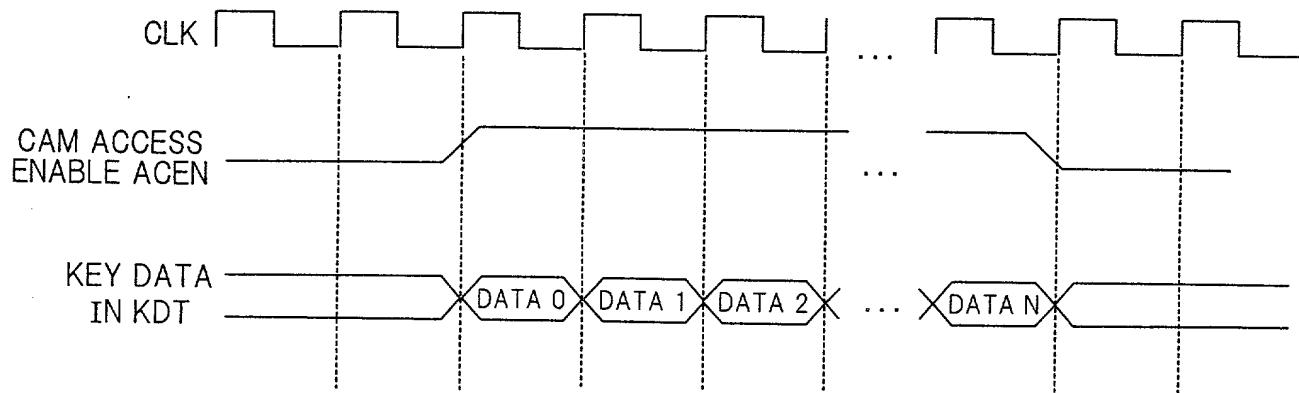


FIG. 11

RAM CELL WIDTH (bytes)		1	1
RAM CELL WORD COUNT	y	1,000	16,384
KEY DATA WIDTH (bytes)	k	4	16
ASSOCIATIVE DATA WIDTH (bytes)	r	2	2
TOTAL ENTRY COUNT		↓	↓
$e = y/(k+r)$	=	167	910

FIG. 9

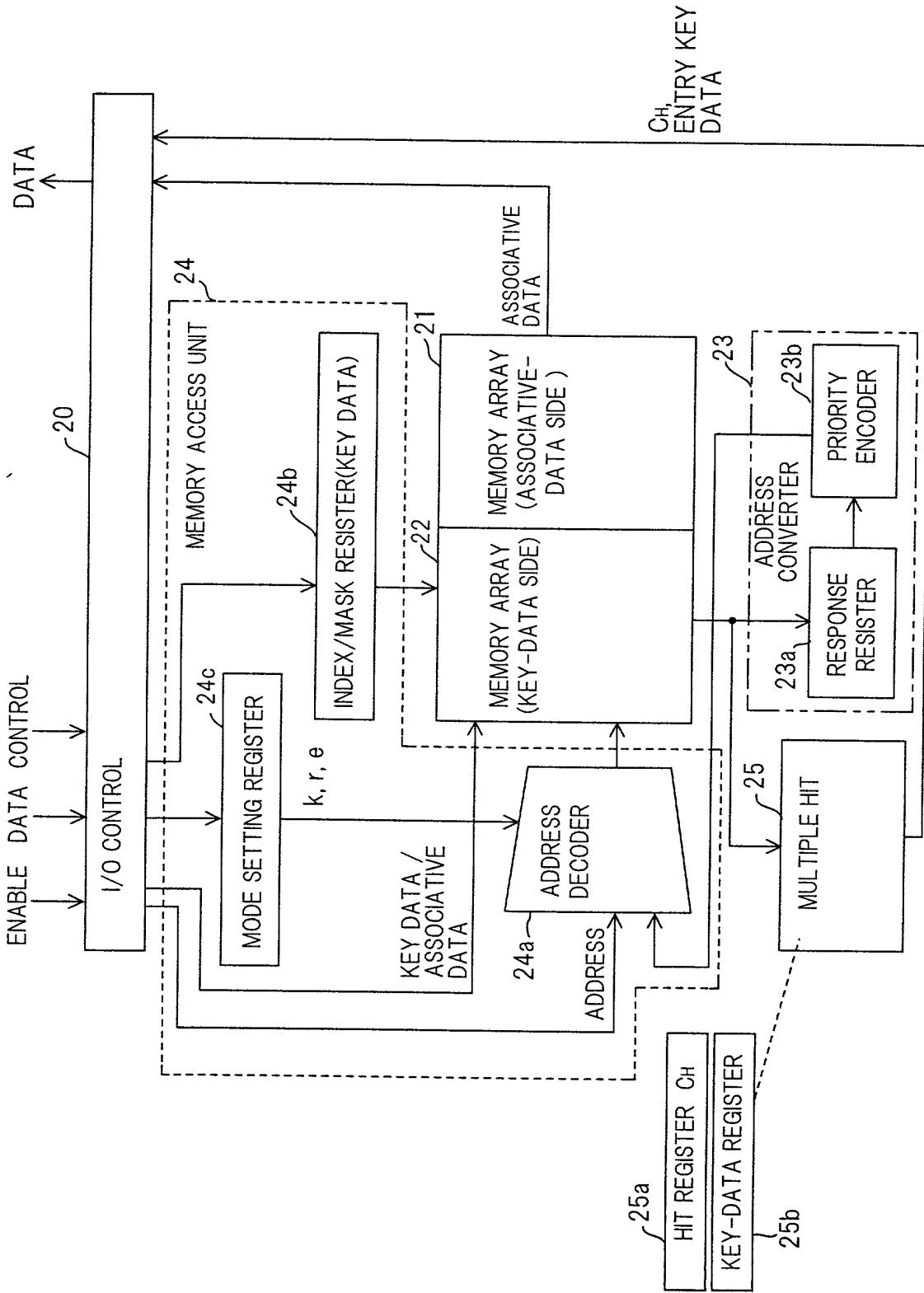


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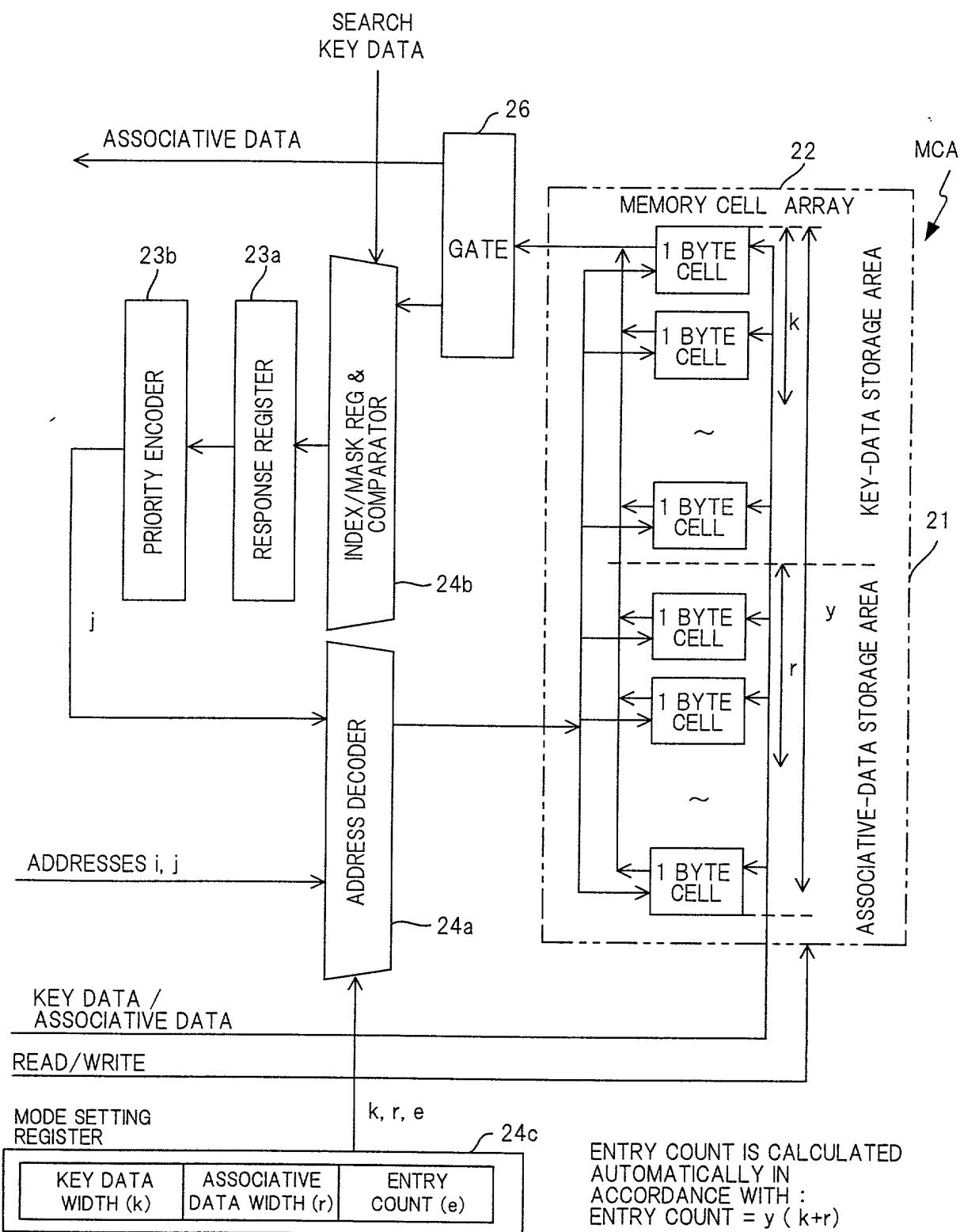


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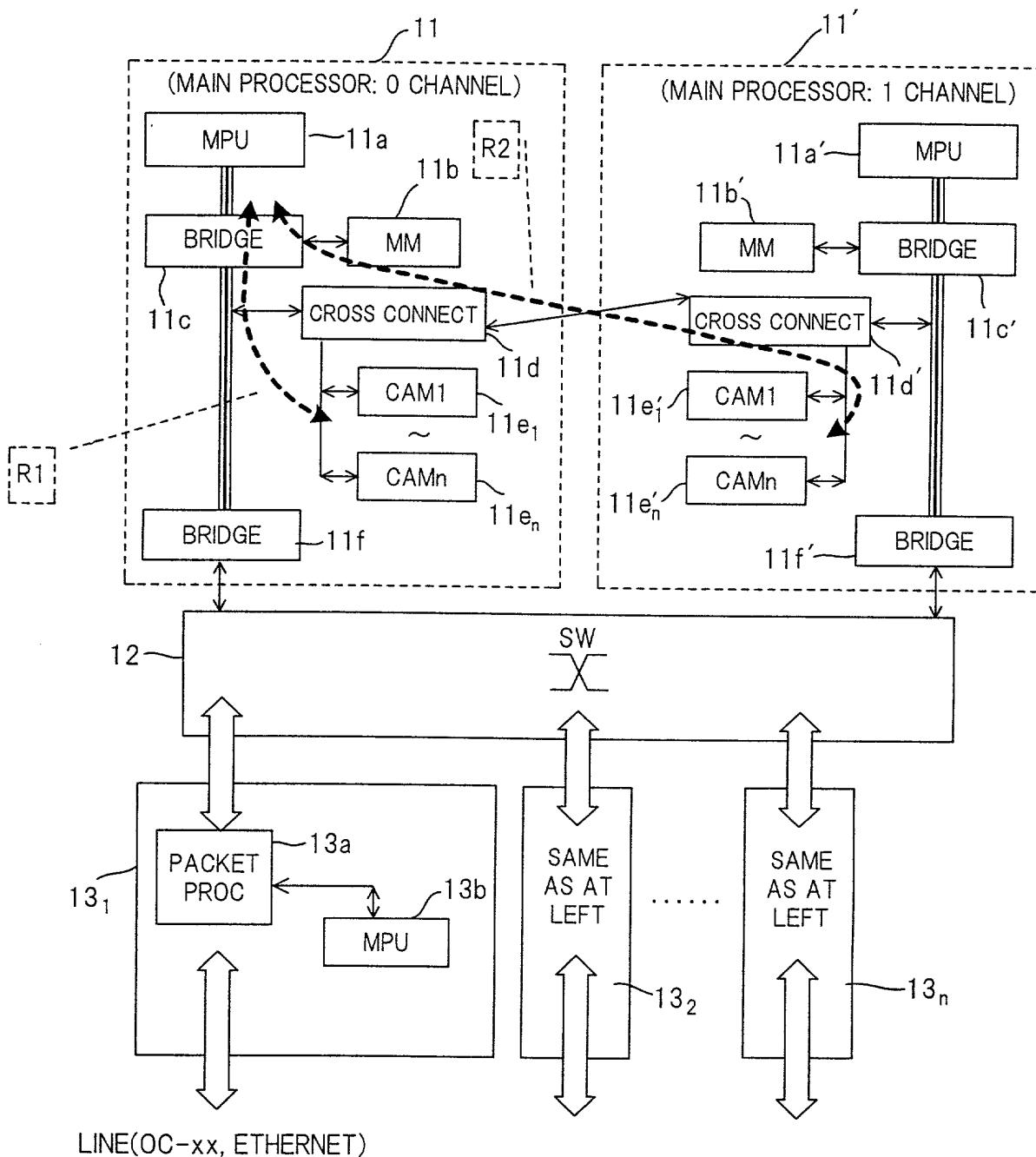


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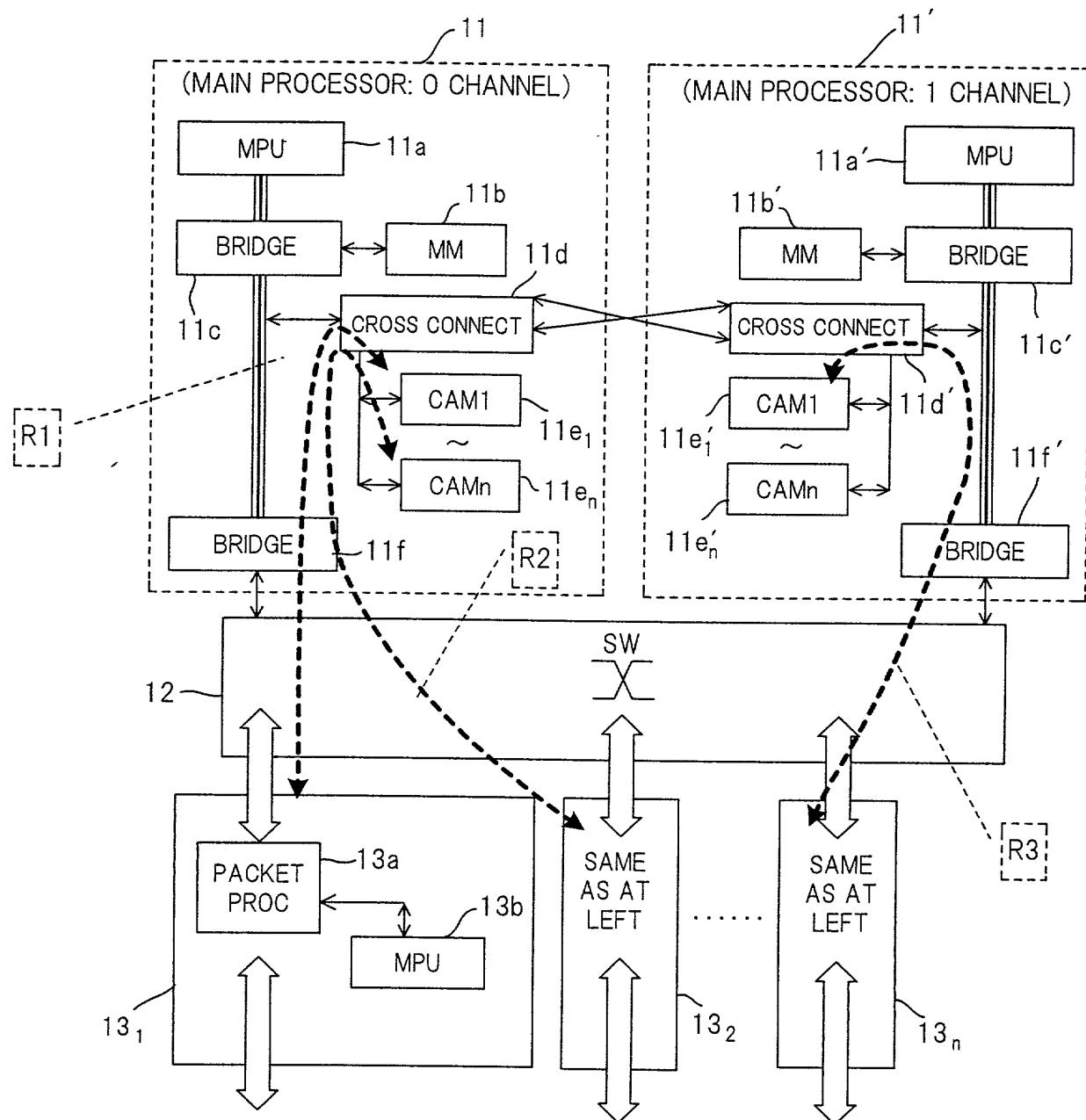


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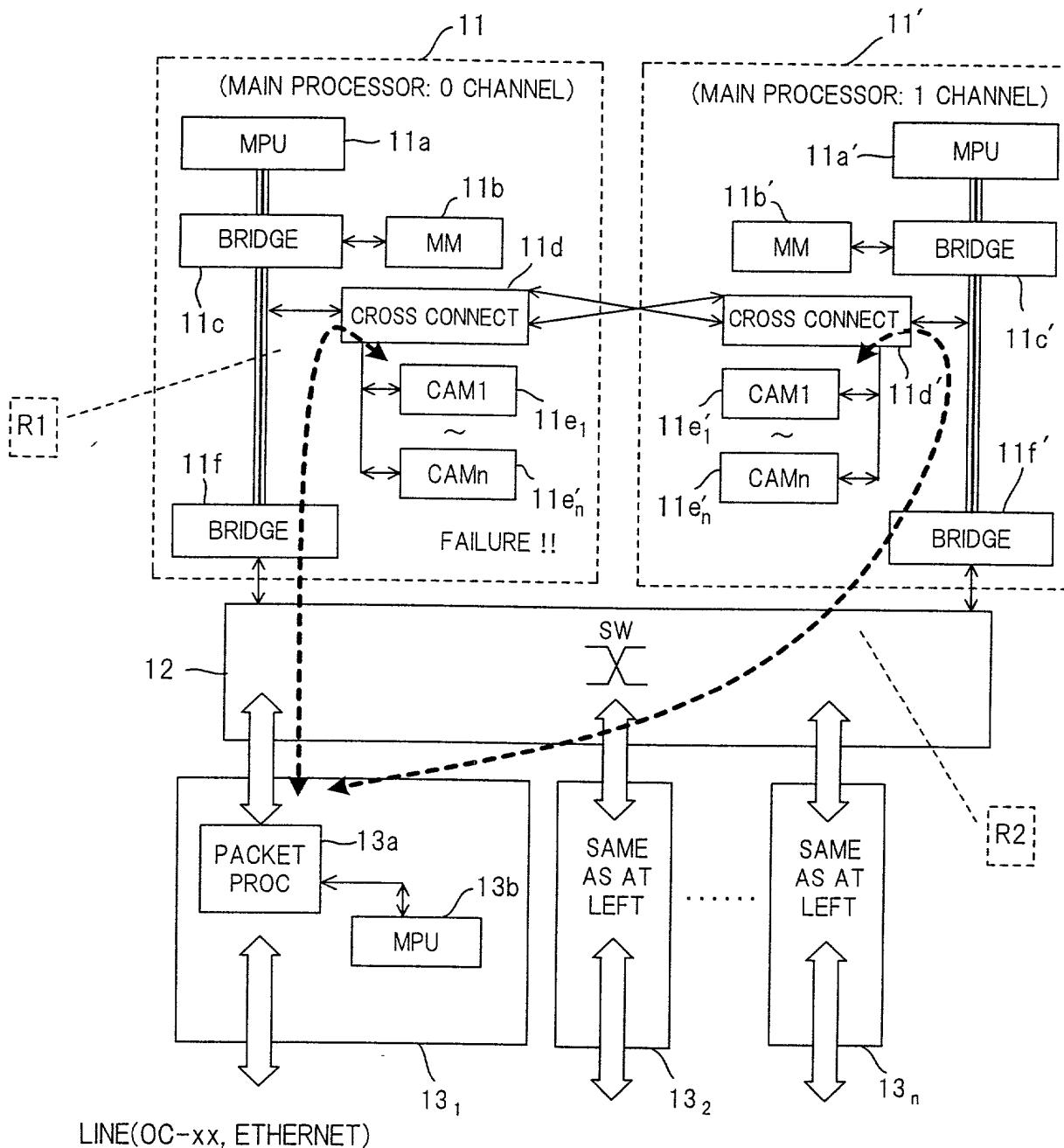


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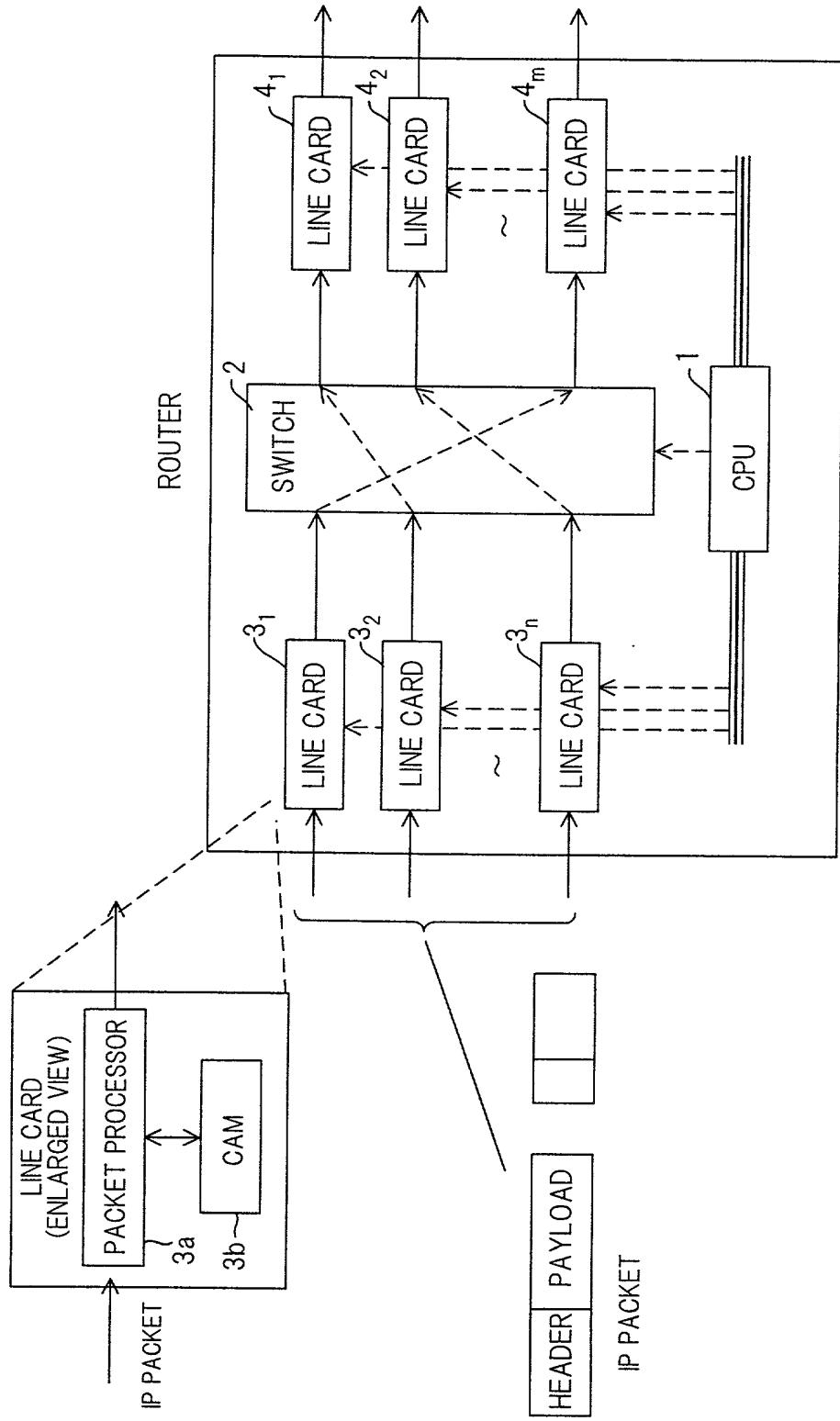


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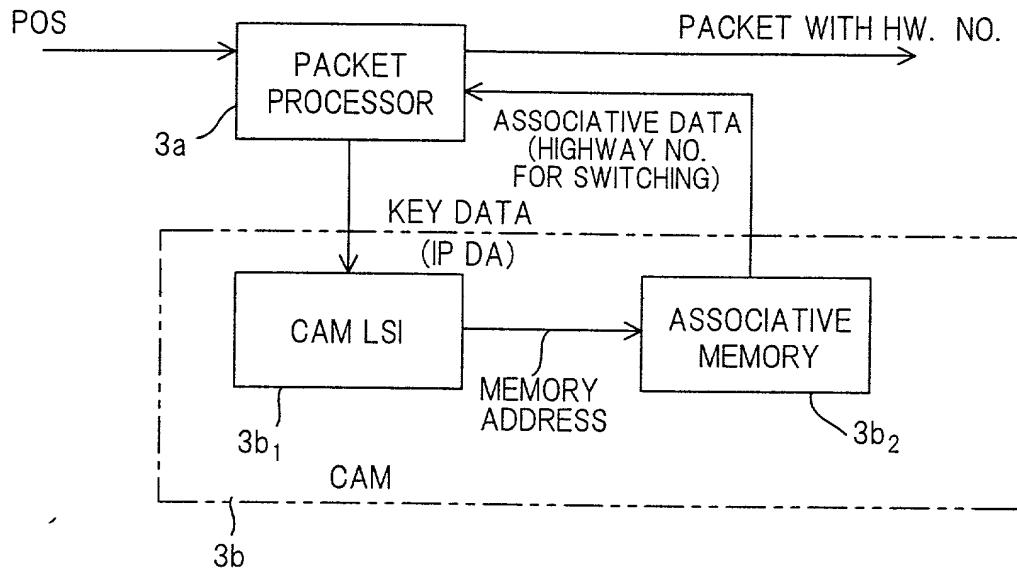


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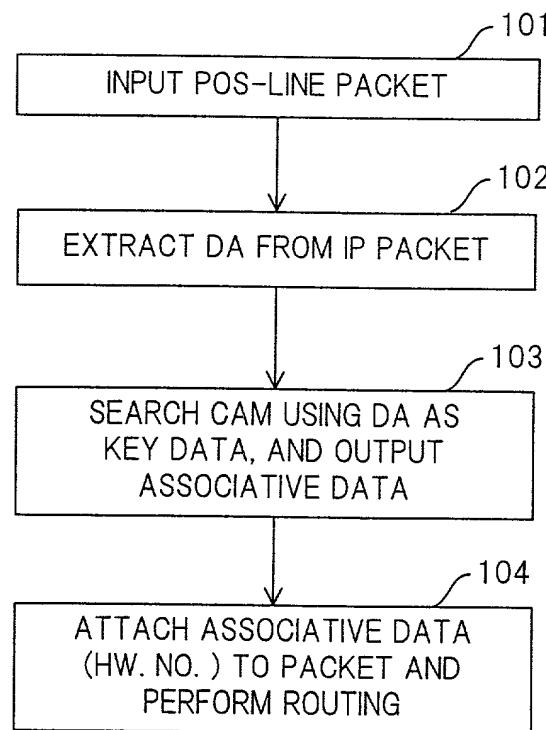
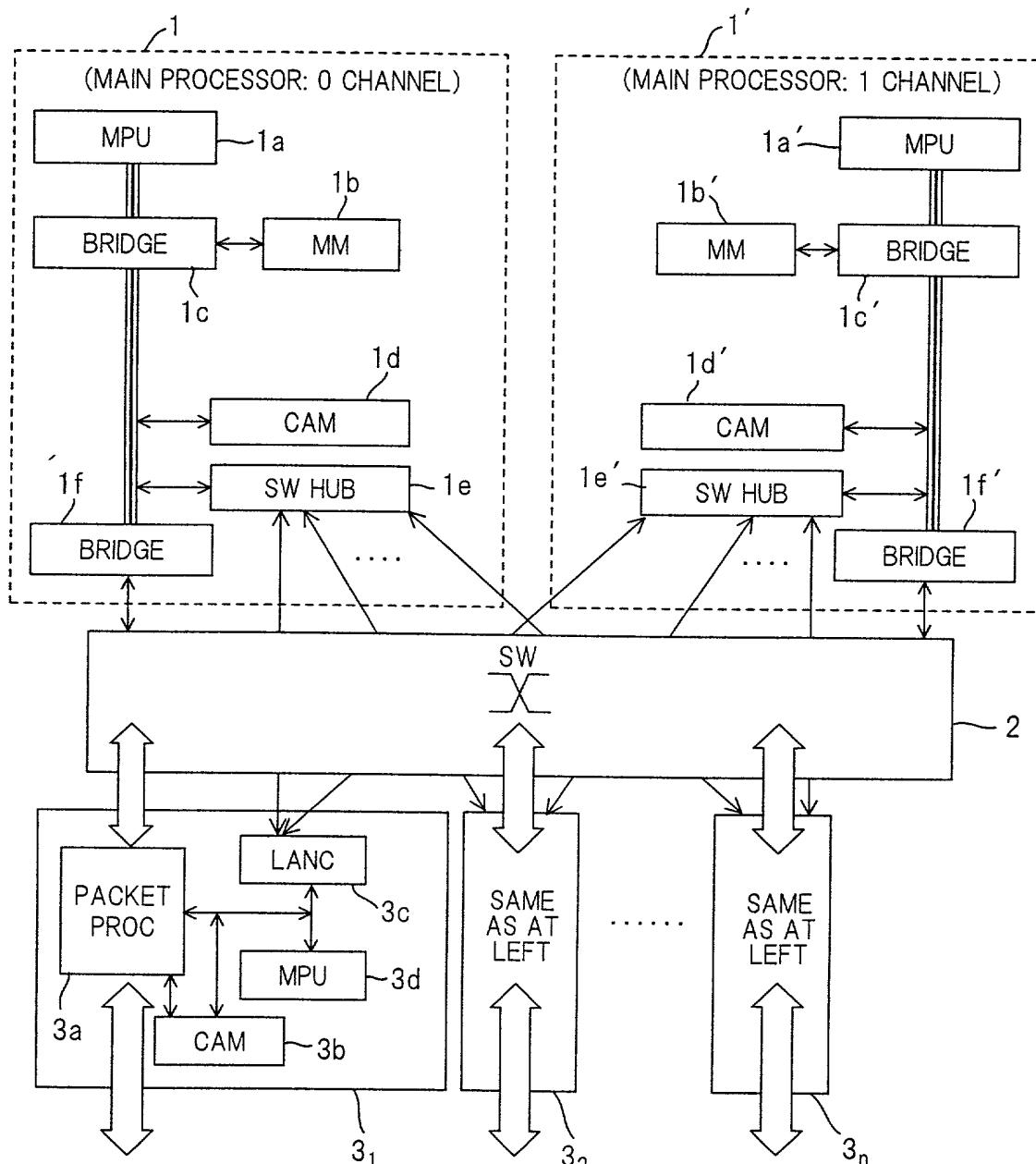


FIG. 18 PRIOR ART

PROPRIETARY INFORMATION



LINE(OC-xx, ETHERNET)

FIG. 19 PRIOR ART

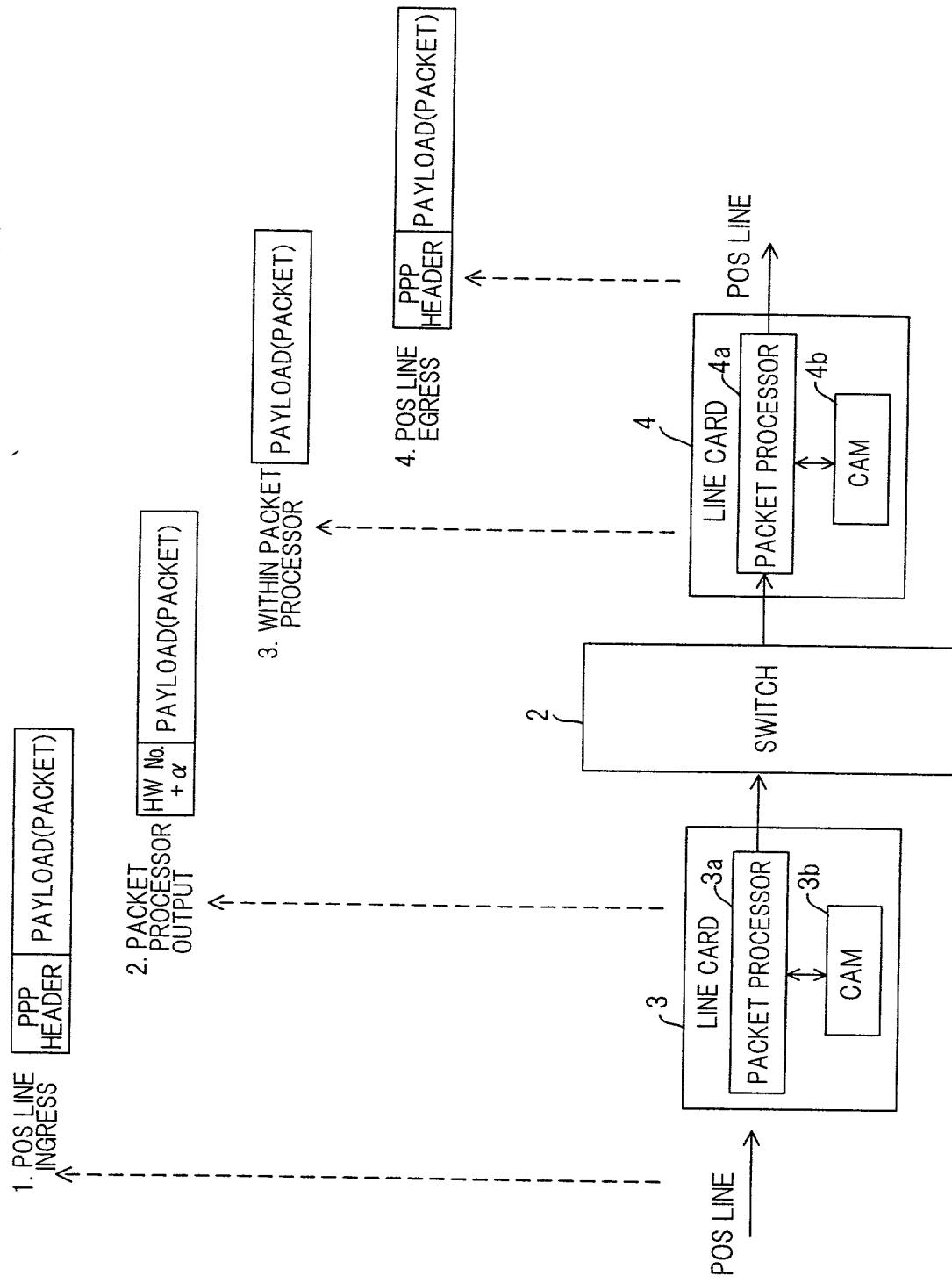
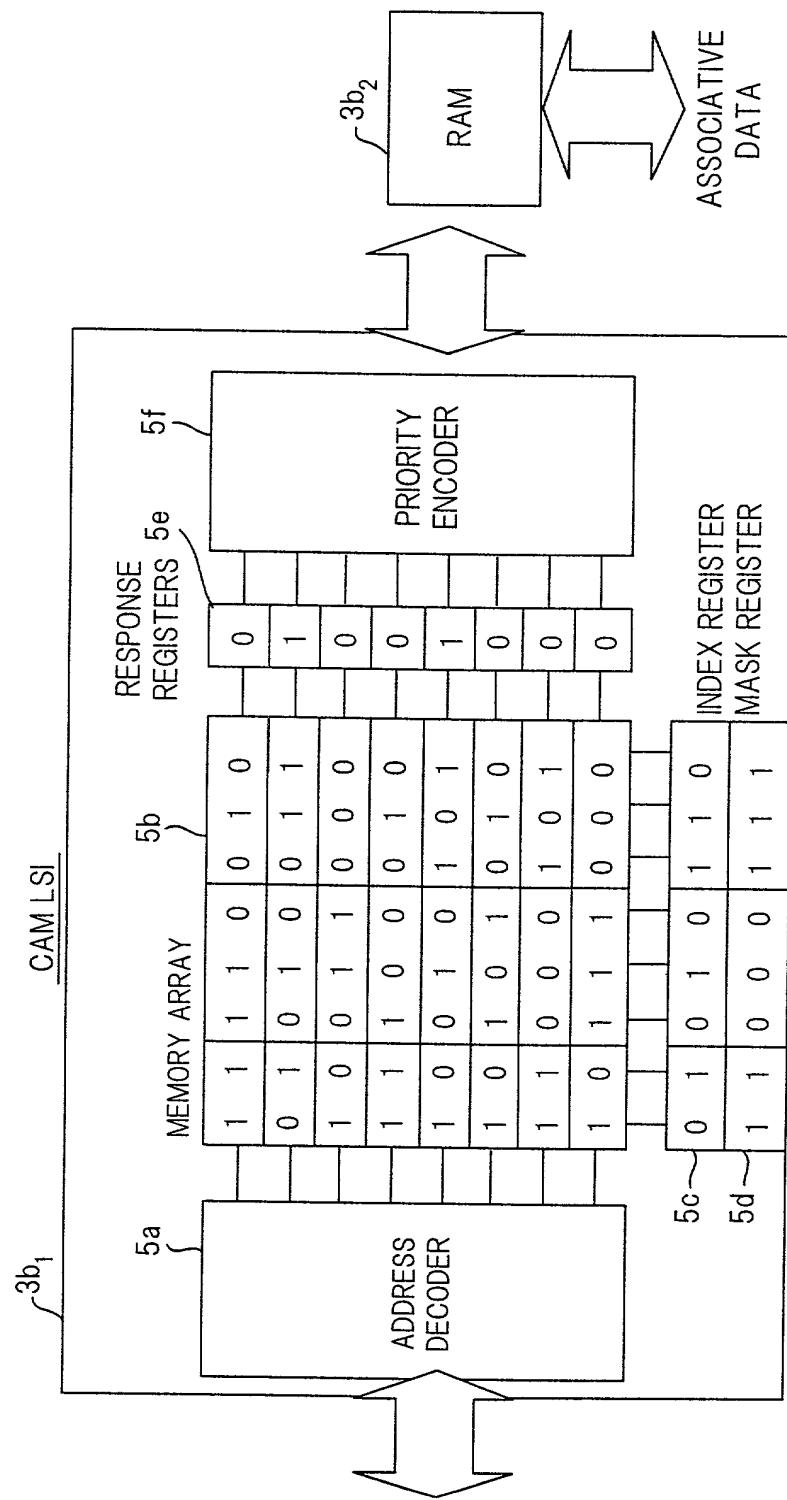


FIG. 20 PRI/ORT



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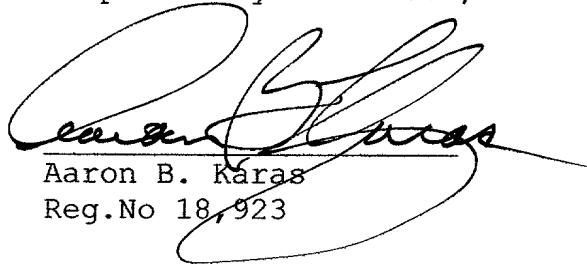
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